

PSAT/NMSQT®

2007-2008 COLLEGE-BOUND
HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

SUMMARY REPORT

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

MAINE

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TABLE 1: NUMBER OF JUNIORS TAKING THE PSAT/NMSQT®

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	724,219	46.2	58,950	48.0	6,177	48.9
Female	842,844	53.8	63,760	52.0	6,448	51.1
No Response	3,507		373		17	
Total	1,570,570		123,083		12,642	

TABLE 2: ETHNIC BACKGROUND

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
American Indian or Alaska Native	10,992	0.7	663	0.6	165	1.3
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	118,985	7.8	5,798	4.9	303	2.5
Black or African American	192,103	12.6	7,700	6.5	196	1.6
Hispanic, Latino, or Latin American	219,187	14.3	9,079	7.6	181	1.5
White	932,241	61.0	92,032	77.4	11,272	91.4
Other	54,008	3.5	3,606	3.0	222	1.8
No Response	43,054		4,205		303	

TABLE 3: PARTICIPATING IN STUDENT SEARCH SERVICE®

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Yes	1,426,279	90.8	107,415	87.3	10,224	80.9
No	144,291	9.2	15,668	12.7	2,418	19.1

TABLE 4: SELF-REPORTED GRADE AVERAGE

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
A+ (97-100)	60,063	4.0	1,831	1.6	311	2.6
A (93-96)	276,706	18.6	12,148	10.5	1,720	14.3
A- (90-92)	290,482	19.6	21,586	18.7	2,051	17.1
B+ (87-89)	266,031	17.9	24,827	21.5	2,183	18.2
B (83-86)	266,390	17.9	25,501	22.1	2,286	19.0
B- (80-82)	135,942	9.2	13,229	11.5	1,404	11.7
C+ (77-79)	98,834	6.7	8,664	7.5	1,017	8.5
C (73-76)	61,042	4.1	5,067	4.4	676	5.6
C- (70-72)	19,184	1.3	1,610	1.4	202	1.7
D+ (67-69)	5,966	0.4	430	0.4	78	0.6
D (65-66)	3,324	0.2	271	0.2	46	0.4
E or F (Below 65)	1,306	0.1	137	0.1	39	0.3
No Response	85,300		7,782		629	

TABLE 5: YEAR COMPLETING HIGH SCHOOL AND ENTERING COLLEGE

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2008	12,007	0.8	531	0.4	86	0.7
2009	1,519,344	97.7	119,247	97.9	11,894	94.9
2010	13,611	0.9	993	0.8	201	1.6
After 2010	3,162	0.2	271	0.2	84	0.7
Not Planning College	6,224	0.4	810	0.7	269	2.1
No Response	16,222		1,231		108	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	12,757	0.8	1,361	1.1	64	0.5
70-74	29,588	1.9	2,439	2.0	162	1.3
65-69	62,395	4.0	5,618	4.6	388	3.1
60-64	97,365	6.2	8,701	7.1	639	5.1
55-59	167,840	10.7	13,488	11.0	1,094	8.7
50-54	264,491	16.8	20,218	16.4	2,074	16.4
45-49	273,707	17.4	22,000	17.9	2,075	16.4
40-44	244,484	15.6	18,414	15.0	2,042	16.2
35-39	197,271	12.6	14,478	11.8	1,857	14.7
30-34	114,398	7.3	8,361	6.8	1,082	8.6
25-29	67,190	4.3	4,913	4.0	719	5.7
20-24	38,861	2.5	3,064	2.5	441	3.5
TOTAL	1,570,347		123,055		12,637	
Mean Score	46.7		47.4		44.9	
STD. DEV.	11.2		11.5		11.1	

MATH

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	20,911	1.3	1,560	1.3	87	0.7
70-74	32,432	2.1	2,530	2.1	138	1.1
65-69	88,249	5.6	7,096	5.8	468	3.7
60-64	146,075	9.3	11,695	9.5	788	6.2
55-59	201,747	12.9	16,455	13.4	1,256	9.9
50-54	233,691	14.9	19,061	15.5	1,781	14.1
45-49	236,634	15.1	18,509	15.0	1,962	15.5
40-44	247,892	15.8	18,843	15.3	2,281	18.1
35-39	157,824	10.1	11,671	9.5	1,523	12.1
30-34	129,106	8.2	9,568	7.8	1,414	11.2
25-29	38,879	2.5	3,129	2.5	438	3.5
20-24	36,495	2.3	2,891	2.4	501	4.0
TOTAL	1,569,935		123,008		12,637	
Mean Score	48.2		48.5		45.2	
STD. DEV.	11.7		11.7		11.3	

WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	14,721	0.9	1,327	1.1	68	0.5
70-74	18,962	1.2	1,666	1.4	116	0.9
65-69	54,724	3.5	5,202	4.2	316	2.5
60-64	109,266	7.0	8,959	7.3	715	5.7
55-59	140,554	9.0	11,418	9.3	922	7.3
50-54	227,006	14.5	16,752	13.7	1,676	13.3
45-49	273,461	17.5	21,224	17.3	2,018	16.0
40-44	269,325	17.2	21,076	17.2	2,161	17.2
35-39	229,273	14.6	17,393	14.2	2,084	16.5
30-34	127,297	8.1	9,355	7.6	1,261	10.0
25-29	59,364	3.8	4,655	3.8	665	5.3
20-24	42,094	2.7	3,588	2.9	597	4.7
TOTAL	1,566,047		122,615		12,599	
Mean Score	45.9		46.3		43.7	
STD. DEV.	11.3		11.5		11.4	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - MALE - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,399	0.9	692	1.2	36	0.6
70-74	14,948	2.1	1,222	2.1	95	1.5
65-69	30,707	4.2	2,720	4.6	199	3.2
60-64	46,206	6.4	4,071	6.9	301	4.9
55-59	76,604	10.6	6,245	10.6	536	8.7
50-54	115,282	15.9	9,145	15.5	906	14.7
45-49	117,189	16.2	9,880	16.8	895	14.5
40-44	108,067	14.9	8,693	14.8	932	15.1
35-39	92,519	12.8	7,211	12.2	905	14.7
30-34	57,960	8.0	4,415	7.5	604	9.8
25-29	36,483	5.0	2,797	4.7	462	7.5
20-24	21,715	3.0	1,843	3.1	303	4.9
TOTAL	724,079		58,934		6,174	
Mean Score	46.5		46.9		44.1	
STD. DEV.	11.7		11.9		11.9	

MALE - MATH

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	14,639	2.0	1,100	1.9	64	1.0
70-74	20,994	2.9	1,637	2.8	101	1.6
65-69	52,221	7.2	4,207	7.1	284	4.6
60-64	78,506	10.8	6,377	10.8	461	7.5
55-59	100,430	13.9	8,341	14.2	641	10.4
50-54	107,185	14.8	9,039	15.3	864	14.0
45-49	101,102	14.0	8,381	14.2	927	15.0
40-44	100,091	13.8	8,072	13.7	1,016	16.5
35-39	62,610	8.6	4,919	8.4	710	11.5
30-34	53,168	7.3	4,172	7.1	646	10.5
25-29	16,565	2.3	1,318	2.2	211	3.4
20-24	16,319	2.3	1,338	2.3	248	4.0
TOTAL	723,830		58,901		6,173	
Mean Score	49.7		49.7		46.1	
STD. DEV.	12.1		12.0		11.9	

MALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,069	0.8	529	0.9	22	0.4
70-74	7,841	1.1	686	1.2	45	0.7
65-69	23,380	3.2	2,211	3.8	135	2.2
60-64	47,059	6.5	3,858	6.6	307	5.0
55-59	61,151	8.5	5,091	8.7	402	6.5
50-54	99,289	13.8	7,560	12.9	724	11.8
45-49	121,686	16.9	9,840	16.8	918	14.9
40-44	122,059	16.9	10,061	17.1	989	16.1
35-39	108,291	15.0	8,737	14.9	1,041	16.9
30-34	64,948	9.0	4,971	8.5	720	11.7
25-29	33,476	4.6	2,810	4.8	429	7.0
20-24	26,155	3.6	2,313	3.9	423	6.9
TOTAL	721,404		58,667		6,155	
Mean Score	45.1		45.2		42.2	
STD. DEV.	11.5		11.7		11.6	

TABLE 6: PSAT/NMSQT® SCORES - FEMALE - CRITICAL READING

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,348	0.8	665	1.0	28	0.4
70-74	14,602	1.7	1,205	1.9	67	1.0
65-69	31,615	3.8	2,880	4.5	188	2.9
60-64	51,024	6.1	4,593	7.2	337	5.2
55-59	91,002	10.8	7,202	11.3	556	8.6
50-54	148,812	17.7	11,025	17.3	1,165	18.1
45-49	156,030	18.5	12,070	18.9	1,177	18.3
40-44	135,858	16.1	9,670	15.2	1,110	17.2
35-39	104,204	12.4	7,226	11.3	948	14.7
30-34	55,983	6.6	3,917	6.1	476	7.4
25-29	30,376	3.6	2,093	3.3	256	4.0
20-24	16,912	2.0	1,203	1.9	138	2.1
TOTAL	842,766		63,749		6,446	
Mean Score	47.0		47.8		45.7	
STD. DEV.	10.8		11.0		10.3	

FEMALE - MATH

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	6,251	0.7	454	0.7	23	0.4
70-74	11,398	1.4	876	1.4	37	0.6
65-69	35,898	4.3	2,855	4.5	184	2.9
60-64	67,392	8.0	5,290	8.3	326	5.1
55-59	101,046	12.0	8,072	12.7	614	9.5
50-54	126,096	15.0	9,975	15.7	915	14.2
45-49	135,073	16.0	10,089	15.8	1,033	16.0
40-44	147,243	17.5	10,720	16.8	1,263	19.6
35-39	94,750	11.2	6,710	10.5	810	12.6
30-34	75,385	8.9	5,358	8.4	762	11.8
25-29	22,112	2.6	1,801	2.8	227	3.5
20-24	19,961	2.4	1,536	2.4	253	3.9
TOTAL	842,605		63,736		6,447	
Mean Score	47.0		47.3		44.4	
STD. DEV.	11.1		11.1		10.7	

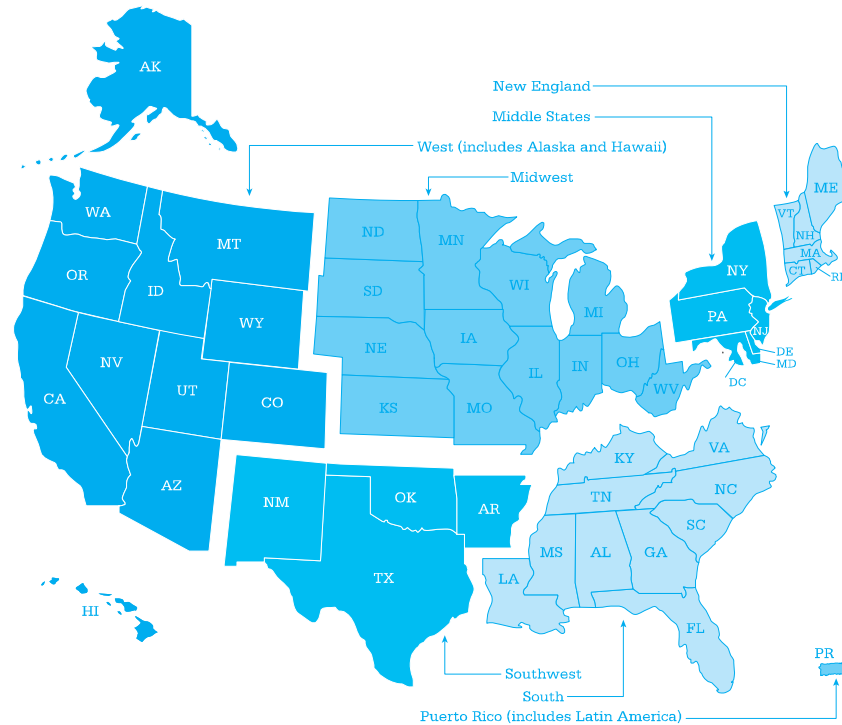
FEMALE - WRITING SKILLS

	TOTAL GROUP		NEW ENGLAND		MAINE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
75-80	8,641	1.0	793	1.2	46	0.7
70-74	11,099	1.3	972	1.5	71	1.1
65-69	31,299	3.7	2,974	4.7	181	2.8
60-64	62,082	7.4	5,076	8.0	407	6.3
55-59	79,200	9.4	6,288	9.9	517	8.0
50-54	127,397	15.1	9,147	14.4	952	14.8
45-49	151,282	18.0	11,338	17.8	1,099	17.1
40-44	146,684	17.4	10,961	17.2	1,166	18.1
35-39	120,355	14.3	8,612	13.5	1,042	16.2
30-34	61,884	7.4	4,341	6.8	539	8.4
25-29	25,587	3.0	1,828	2.9	233	3.6
20-24	15,667	1.9	1,251	2.0	174	2.7
TOTAL	841,177		63,581		6,427	
Mean Score	46.6		47.3		45.2	
STD. DEV.	11.0		11.3		11.0	

TABLE 7: COLLEGE MAJOR

	TOTAL GROUP			NEW ENGLAND			MAINE		
	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %	Total %	Male %	Female %
Agriculture Sciences	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0
Architecture	2.2	3.4	1.2	2.1	3.1	1.1	2.0	3.0	1.0
Area/Ethnic/Cultural Studies	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Biological Sciences	4.1	3.7	4.5	4.2	3.7	4.7	4.1	3.6	4.6
Business Management	10.1	12.9	7.8	11.4	14.8	8.4	7.5	8.9	6.3
Communication & Journalism	3.2	2.2	4.0	3.4	2.7	4.0	2.7	2.2	3.1
Computer/Information Science	1.3	2.6	0.3	1.2	2.4	0.2	1.4	2.7	0.3
Education	4.7	1.7	7.3	4.7	1.5	7.6	4.3	1.4	7.0
Engineering	8.0	15.2	2.1	6.9	12.8	1.6	7.5	14.3	1.4
Engineering Technologies	2.0	3.9	0.5	1.7	3.3	0.3	1.7	3.2	0.3
English Language & Literature	1.2	0.8	1.6	1.6	1.0	2.1	1.8	1.3	2.2
Family/Consumer Sciences	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6
Foreign Languages	0.8	0.5	1.0	0.9	0.6	1.1	0.8	0.6	0.9
Health Professions/Sciences	19.1	10.9	25.9	14.6	7.3	21.0	16.8	7.6	24.9
History	1.1	1.6	0.6	1.3	1.9	0.7	1.1	1.6	0.7
Legal Professions & Studies	2.9	2.7	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	1.6	1.7	1.5
Liberal Arts & Humanities	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.5
Mathematics & Statistics	0.7	1.0	0.6	0.8	1.1	0.5	0.6	1.0	0.3
Multi/Interdisciplinary	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Natural Resources	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.4	1.2	1.9	0.5
Parks, Leisure & Fitness Studies	0.9	1.6	0.3	1.1	2.0	0.3	1.2	2.1	0.4
Personal & Culinary Services	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.6	1.0
Philosophy/Religious Studies	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3
Physical Sciences	1.2	1.7	0.8	1.1	1.5	0.7	1.0	1.5	0.5
Psychology	3.9	1.9	5.6	4.0	1.7	6.1	3.7	1.5	5.7
Social Service Professions	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.5	0.1	0.9	0.7	0.1	1.1
Security/Protective Services	2.8	3.1	2.6	3.1	3.8	2.6	3.0	3.9	2.2
Social Sciences	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.8
Theology/Religious Vocations	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Visual & Performing Arts	9.5	7.4	11.3	9.3	7.2	11.1	9.7	7.0	12.0
Other	3.4	3.9	3.0	3.7	4.4	3.1	6.8	8.8	4.9
Undecided	11.3	12.5	10.2	14.5	15.7	13.4	14.0	15.8	12.4
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